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Aug 26, 2004

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20040164737

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20040164737 A1

TITLE: Method for determining the B1 field strength in MR measurements

PUBLICATION-DATE: August 26, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Feiweier, Thorsten	Poxdorf		DE	

US-CL-CURRENT: [324/309](#); [324/318](#)

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	RMK	Draw D.
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☐ 2. Document ID: US 20030152516 A1

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File: PGPB

Aug 14, 2003

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20030152516

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20030152516 A1

TITLE: Methods for imaging pulmonary and cardiac vasculature and evaluating blood flow using dissolved polarized 129Xe

PUBLICATION-DATE: August 14, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Driehuys, Bastiaan	Durham	NC	US	
Hasson, Kenton Christopher	Charlottesville	VA	US	
Bogorad, Paul Lev	New York	NY	US	

US-CL-CURRENT: [424/9.3](#)

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	IPC	Draw
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☐ 3. Document ID: US 20020164925 A1

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File: PGPB

Nov 7, 2002

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020164925

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020164925 A1

TITLE: Integrated endpoint detection system with optical and eddy current monitoring

PUBLICATION-DATE: November 7, 2002

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Swedek, Boguslaw A.	San Jose	CA	US	
Birang, Manoocher	Los Gatos	CA	US	
Johansson, Nils	Los Gatos	CA	US	

US-CL-CURRENT: 451/5; 451/41, 451/59, 451/6, 451/8

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	IPC	Draw
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☐ 4. Document ID: US 20020124634 A1

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File: PGPB

Sep 12, 2002

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020124634

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020124634 A1

TITLE: Method and arrangement for measuring characteristics of a non-newtonian fluid

PUBLICATION-DATE: September 12, 2002

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Litton, Jan-Eric	Stockholm		SE	

US-CL-CURRENT: 73/54.25; 73/54.24

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	IPC	Draw
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☐ 5. Document ID: US 20020122183 A1

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File: PGPB

Sep 5, 2002

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020122183  
PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new  
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020122183 A1

TITLE: Sagnac interferometer current sensor

PUBLICATION-DATE: September 5, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Ohno, Aritaka	Tokyo		JP	
Usui, Ryuji	Tokyo		JP	
Terai, Kiyohisa	Kanagawa		JP	
Takahashi, Masao	Kanagawa		JP	
Sasaki, Kinichi	Kanagawa		JP	

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/483

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	FIG	Draw D
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☐ 6. Document ID: US 20020000801 A1

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File: PGPB

Jan 3, 2002

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20020000801  
PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new  
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20020000801 A1

TITLE: METHOD TO OBTAIN A TEMPERATURE COMPENSATED OUTPUT SIGNAL IN AN OPTICAL CURRENT MEASURING SENSOR

PUBLICATION-DATE: January 3, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
MENKE, PETER	ERLANGEN		DE	

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/96

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	FIG	Draw D
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☐ 7. Document ID: US 20010035749 A1

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Nov 1, 2001

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20010035749  
PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new  
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20010035749 A1

TITLE: Position transducer

PUBLICATION-DATE: November 1, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Nekado, Yasuo	Kanagawa		JP	

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/207.15; 324/207.22, 324/207.24

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	KMC	Draw D
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File: PGPB

Oct 25, 2001

PGPUB-DOCUMENT-NUMBER: 20010033222

PGPUB-FILING-TYPE: new

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 20010033222 A1

TITLE: Passive keyless entry system

PUBLICATION-DATE: October 25, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	RULE-47
Nowotnick, Juergen	Hamburg		DE	
Boeh, Frank	Hamburg		DE	

US-CL-CURRENT: 340/5.61; 340/5.72

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Sequences	Attachments	Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 9. Document ID: US 6831749 B2

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File: USPT

Dec 14, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6831749

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6831749 B2

TITLE: Sagnac interferometer current sensor

DATE-ISSUED: December 14, 2004

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Ohno; Aritaka	Tokyo			JP
Usui; Ryuji	Tokyo			JP
Terai; Kiyohisa	Kanagawa			JP
Takahashi; Masao	Kanagawa			JP

Sasaki; Kinichi

Kanagawa

JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/483

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 10. Document ID: US 6808699 B2

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File: USPT

Oct 26, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6808699

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6808699 B2

TITLE: Methods for imaging pulmonary and cardiac vasculature and evaluating blood flow using dissolved polarized 129Xe

DATE-ISSUED: October 26, 2004

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Driehuys; Bastiaan	Durham	NC		
Hasson; Kenton Christopher	Charlottesville	VA		
Bogorad; Paul Lev	New York	NY		

US-CL-CURRENT: 424/9.36; 424/9.1, 424/9.3, 424/9.32, 534/7

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 11. Document ID: US 6747545 B2

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File: USPT

Jun 8, 2004

US-PAT-NO: 6747545

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6747545 B2

TITLE: Passive keyless entry system

DATE-ISSUED: June 8, 2004

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nowottnick; Juergen	Hamburg			DE
Boeh; Frank	Hamburg			DE

US-CL-CURRENT: 340/5.61; 340/5.7

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 12. Document ID: US 6591664 B2

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File: USPT

Jul 15, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6591664

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6591664 B2

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TITLE: Method and arrangement for measuring characteristics of a non-newtonian fluid

DATE-ISSUED: July 15, 2003

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Litton; Jan-Eric	Stockholm			SE

US-CL-CURRENT: 73/54.41; 73/54.01, 73/54.27

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KWC	Draw. De
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☐ 13. Document ID: US 6549003 B2

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File: USPT

Apr 15, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6549003

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6549003 B2

TITLE: Position detector utilizing two magnetic field sensors and a scale

DATE-ISSUED: April 15, 2003

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Nekado; Yasuo	Kanagawa			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/207.15

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KWC	Draw. De
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☐ 14. Document ID: US 6265862 B1

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File: USPT

Jul 24, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6265862

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6265862 B1

TITLE: Process for standardising the intensity of optical sensors used for measuring periodically oscillating electric or magnetic field intensities

DATE-ISSUED: July 24, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Menke; Peter	Erlangen			DE

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/96; 324/117R

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D.
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☐ 15. Document ID: US 6218675 B1

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File: USPT

Apr 17, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6218675

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6218675 B1

TITLE: Charged particle beam irradiation apparatus

DATE-ISSUED: April 17, 2001

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Akiyama; Hiroshi	Hitachi			JP
Hiramoto; Kazuo	Hitachiota			JP
Matsuda; Koji	Hitachi			JP
Norimine; Tetsuro	Hitachi			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 250/492.3; 250/396ML, 250/397, 250/398

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D.
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☐ 16. Document ID: US 6059718 A

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File: USPT

May 9, 2000

US-PAT-NO: 6059718

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6059718 A

TITLE: Endoscope form detecting apparatus in which coil is fixedly mounted by insulating member so that form is not deformed within endoscope

DATE-ISSUED: May 9, 2000

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Taniguchi; Akira	Hashioji			JP
Uchimura; Sumihiro	Sagamihara			JP
Ishii; Tsukasa	Hachioji			JP
Hara; Masanao	Tama			JP
Matsuura; Nobuyuki	Hino			JP



Miyano; Yasuo

Hachioji

JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 600/117; 600/424

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 17. Document ID: US 5840024 A

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File: USPT

Nov 24, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5840024

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5840024 A

TITLE: Endoscope form detecting apparatus in which coil is fixedly mounted by insulating member so that form is not deformed within endoscope

DATE-ISSUED: November 24, 1998

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Taniguchi; Akira	Hachioji			JP
Matsuura; Nobuyuki	Hino			JP
Miyano; Yasuo	Hachioji			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 600/424

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 18. Document ID: US 5661410 A

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File: USPT

Aug 26, 1997

US-PAT-NO: 5661410

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5661410 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for the detection of the current distribution in a conductor of an electric machine

DATE-ISSUED: August 26, 1997

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Haldemann; Johann	Birr			CH

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/772; 327/127, 327/545

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 19. Document ID: US 5526022 A

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File: USPT

Jun 11, 1996

US-PAT-NO: 5526022

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5526022 A

TITLE: Sourceless orientation sensor

DATE-ISSUED: June 11, 1996

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Donahue; Michael J.	San Francisco	CA		
Pesce; Mark D.	San Francisco	CA		
de Groot; Marc	San Francisco	CA		
Perry; Michael A.	Oakland	CA		
Drumm; Donald E.	Billerica	MA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 345/156; 324/253

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 20. Document ID: US 5378987 A

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File: USPT

Jan 3, 1995

US-PAT-NO: 5378987

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5378987 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for non-invasive measurement of temperature distribution within target body using nuclear magnetic resonance imaging

DATE-ISSUED: January 3, 1995

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Ishihara; Yasutoshi	Kanagawa			JP
Sato; Kozo	Kanagawa			JP

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/315; 600/412

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 21. Document ID: US 5119028 A

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File: USPT

Jun 2, 1992

US-PAT-NO: 5119028

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5119028 A

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TITLE: Method and system for determining the depth of an electrically conductive body in a medium having a known conductivity and a known permeability by measuring phase difference between a primary and secondary magnetic field

DATE-ISSUED: June 2, 1992

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Mooney; John J.	Bethpage	NY		
Witt; Christopher J.	Laurel Hollow	NY		
Mohr; Michael T.	New Port Richey	FL		

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/326; 324/233, 324/329, 324/330, 324/334

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	Notes	Drawings
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☐ 22. Document ID: US 4891587 A

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File: USPT

Jan 2, 1990

US-PAT-NO: 4891587

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4891587 A

TITLE: Magnetic field sensor using variations in ultrasound to determine magnetic field

DATE-ISSUED: January 2, 1990

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Squire; Patrick T.	Bradford-on-Avon			GB2

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/244; 324/260

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	Notes	Drawings
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☐ 23. Document ID: US 4849698 A

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File: USPT

Jul 18, 1989

US-PAT-NO: 4849698

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4849698 A

TITLE: Method of reducing MR image artefacts in off-center images

DATE-ISSUED: July 18, 1989

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Van Der Meulen; Peter	Eindhoven			NL
Van Liere; Filips	Eindhoven			NL

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/309

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 24. Document ID: US 4733938 A

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File: USPT

Mar 29, 1988

US-PAT-NO: 4733938

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4733938 A

TITLE: Magneto-optic rotator

DATE-ISSUED: March 29, 1988

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lefevre; Herve C.	Palo Alto	CA		
Bergh; Ralph A.	Palo Alto	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 385/4; 324/244, 324/244.1, 356/483, 385/11, 385/12, 385/30, 385/41

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 25. Document ID: US 4615582 A

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File: USPT

Oct 7, 1986

US-PAT-NO: 4615582

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4615582 A

TITLE: Magneto-optic rotator for providing additive Faraday rotations in a loop of optical fiber

DATE-ISSUED: October 7, 1986

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY
Lefevre; Herve C.	Palo Alto	CA		
Bergh; Ralph A.	Palo Alto	CA		

US-CL-CURRENT: 385/4; 324/244, 324/244.1, 356/483, 385/12, 385/30, 385/41

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	KMC	Draw D
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☐ 26. Document ID: JP 02063434 A

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File: JPAB

Mar 2, 1990

PUB-NO: JP402063434A

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: JP 02063434 A

TITLE: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING METHOD

PUBN-DATE: March 2, 1990

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

NAME

COUNTRY

HANAWA, MASATOSHI

INT-CL (IPC): A61B 5/055; G01R 33/48

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	IMC	Draw. D.
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☐ 27. Document ID: EP 646807 A1

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File: EPAB

Apr 5, 1995

PUB-NO: EP000646807A1

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: EP 646807 A1

TITLE: MR imaging apparatus.

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	IMC	Draw. D.
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☐ 28. Document ID: US 5119028 A

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File: DWPI

Jun 2, 1992

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1992-208355

DERWENT-WEEK: 199225

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TITLE: Method for determining depth of electrically conductive body in medium - having known conductivity and known permeability by measuring phase difference between primary and secondary magnetic field

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference			Claims	IMC	Draw. D.
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☐ 29. Document ID: EP 262879 A, DE 3783992 G, EP 262879 B1, GB 2195452 A, GB 2195452 B, US 4891587 A

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File: DWPI

Apr 6, 1988

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1988-093358

DERWENT-WEEK: 198814

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TITLE: Magnetic field sensor for small magnetic fields - has body of amorphous magnetic material and ultrasound propagation medium with propagation detector

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	NMC	Draw D.
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☐ 30. Document ID: EP 253446 A, JP 2966845 B2, NL 8601845 A, CN 8705723 A, CA 1256165 A, US 4849698 A, EP 253446 B, DE 3769532 G

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File: DWPI

Jan 20, 1988

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1988-015814

DERWENT-WEEK: 199950

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TITLE: Determining nuclear magnetisation distribution from NMR signals - eliminating effect of current interference signals which give rise to image artifacts in off-centre imaging

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	NMC	Draw D.
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☐ 31. Document ID: US 3260926 A

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File: USOC

Jul 12, 1966

US-PAT-NO: 3260926

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 3260926 A

TITLE: Magnetic field measurement method and apparatus

DATE-ISSUED: July 12, 1966

INVENTOR-NAME: COLES BARRY A

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/322; 324/310

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	NMC	Draw D.
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☐ 32. Document ID: US 3230380 A

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File: USOC

Jan 18, 1966

US-PAT-NO: 3230380

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 3230380 A

TITLE: Photosensitive polyphase apparatus for detecting and indicating the extent of relative movement

DATE-ISSUED: January 18, 1966

INVENTOR-NAME: REGINALD COOKE CONRAD

US-CL-CURRENT: 356/395; 250/208.6, 250/214.1, 250/237R, 250/550

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	PMC	Drawings
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☒ 33. Document ID: US 3222593 A

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File: USOC

Dec 7, 1965

US-PAT-NO: 3222593

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 3222593 A

TITLE: Measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field at any given point by nuclear resonance

DATE-ISSUED: December 7, 1965

INVENTOR-NAME: ANDRE DENIS; GUY RIPART

US-CL-CURRENT: 324/301, 324/318

Full	Title	Citation	Front	Review	Classification	Date	Reference	Claims	PMC	Drawings
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File: USPT

Oct 7, 1986

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4615582 A

TITLE: Magneto-optic rotator for providing additive Faraday rotations in a loop of optical fiber

Brief Summary Text (15):

In another application, the present invention may be used as a magnetometer by coupling counter-propagating lightwaves to it. Ambient magnetic fields (such as the earth's magnetic field) will affect the phase of each of the counter-propagating waves as they pass therethrough in the same manner as for the induced magnetic field, described above, and, by measuring the phase difference between these counter-propagating waves, the strength of the magnetic field may be determined.

Detailed Description Text (76):

After the waves W1, W2 have counter-propagated through the magnetic sensor 98, they will be recombined at the coupler 120 to form an optical output signal, designated by the arrow labeled W0. The intensity of this optical output signal W0 is dependent upon the type (e.g., constructive or destructive) and amount of interference of the waves W1, W2, when they are recombined at the coupler 120, which, in turn, is dependent upon the phase difference between the waves W1, W2. Since this phase difference is a function of the strength of the magnetic field 130, the intensity of the optical signal W0 will likewise be a function of the magnetic field strength. Thus, by detecting the optical intensity of this signal W0, the strength of the magnetic field 130 may be determined. It will be understood that the magnetometer may also be utilized as a current sensor by positioning the sensor 98 in the magnetic field of an electrical conductor, preferably with the straight portions 124 parallel to the B-field produced by current through the conductor.

Detailed Description Text (79):

The detector 156 outputs a signal proportional to the intensity of the optical output signal W0, and sends this signal on the line 158 to the lock-in amplifier 160. As previously indicated, the amplifier 160 synchronously detects the detector output signal at the modulation frequency of the modulator 140, so that this amplifier 160 effectively provides a bandpass filter at the fundamental frequency of the modulator 140, blocking all other harmonics of this frequency. This first harmonic of the detector output signal is a sinusoidal function having a magnitude proportional to the phase difference between the waves W1, W2, and therefore, is also a function of the strength of the magnetic field inducing such phase difference. The amplifier 140 outputs a signal, which is proportional to this first harmonic component, and thus provides a direct indication of the strength of the magnetic field, which may be visually displayed on the display panel 170. Further details of this detection system for synchronously detecting the optical output signal are provided in copending patent application, Ser. No. 319,311, still pending, filed on the same date as this application, entitled "FIBER OPTIC ROTATION SENSOR", which is a continuation in part of patent application, Ser. No. 307,095, filed Sept. 30, 1981 (now abandoned), which in turn is a continuation in part of U.S. Pat. No. 4,410,275, issued Oct. 18, 1983 on application, Ser. No. 249,714, now U.S. Pat. No. 4,410,275 filed Mar. 30, 1981, and is assigned to the assignee of the present invention.



## CLAIMS:

54. An optical polarization rotator comprising:

a loop of fiber optic material for guiding a lightwave, said loop positioned within a magnetic field with a component of the B field of said magnetic field generally parallel to first and second portions of said loop to cause the polarization of said lightwave to be rotated in said first and second portions;

means for changing the direction of polarization, as said lightwave propagates from said first portion to said second portion, to cause the magnetic field induced polarization in said second portion to add to that in said first portion;

means for coupling substantially circularly polarized counterpropagating lightwaves to said fiber optic loop, said magnetic field advancing the phase of one of said lightwaves while retarding the phase of the other;

means for combining said counterpropagating lightwaves after they have traversed said loop; and

means for detecting the phase difference between said lightwaves that is induced by said magnetic field, to measure the strength of said magnetic field.

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TITLE: Method and apparatus for non-invasive measurement of temperature distribution within target body using nuclear magnetic resonance imaging

DATE-ISSUED: January 3, 1995

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Jul 18, 1989

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TITLE: Method of reducing MR image artefacts in off-center images

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TITLE: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING METHOD

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TITLE: MR imaging apparatus.

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TITLE: Determining nuclear magnetisation distribution from NMR signals -  
eliminating effect of current interference signals which give rise to image  
artifacts in off-centre imaging

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TITLE: Magnetic field measurement method and apparatus

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TITLE: Measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field at any given point by  
nuclear resonance

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TITLE: Measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field at any given point by nuclear resonance

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United States Patent Office, 312229593 3,222,593 @ TICS OF A MEASURING THE CHARACTEREM MAGNETIC FIELD AT ANY GIVEN POINT BY NUCLEAR RESONANCE Andr6 Denis, Herblay, and Guy Ripart, Plessis- Robinson, 5 France, assignors to Sud-Aviation Soci6t6 Nationale de Constructions A6ronautiques, Paris, France Filed July 13, 1962, Ser. No. 209,540 Claims priority, application France, July 13, 1961, 867,872; Patent 1,303,505 10 5 Claims. (Cl. 324-.5) This invention relates to improvements for measuring, by nuclear resonance, such characteristics of a magnetic field as its absolute magnitude or its variations at any given point. 15 Such determinations are usually based on the frequency at the middle of an intense and narrow nuclear n- lagnetic resonance line. As is well known, the frequency F, or the Larmor precession frequency, of a nuclear spin placed in a magnetic field H is related to the latter by the 20 equation:  $F = \gamma H$  (1) K where  $\gamma$  is a coefficient characterizing the nuclear spin 25 the resonance of which is being observed, said coefficient being known with great accuracy and being termed the gyromagnetic ratio of the proton. In conventional apparatus used for such determinations, an exploration sample consisting of a volume of liquid 30 containing the nuclei of which the nuclear resonance is to be observed is disposed within the coil of a resonant circuit placed in the magnetic field to be rmeasured, said sample being subjected to a field of high frequency tuned to the electronic resonance frequency of the substance, 3 5 with a view to obtaining a very fine line of great amplitude representing the energy by the corresponding nuclear spins into the surrounding magnetic field. This phenomenon is known as the Overhauser effect. In order to obtain a relatively strong continuous signal 40 of frequency eqtial to that of the resonance defined by Formula (1), recourse has already been had to a resonant circuit having a very high overvoltage coefficient. The impossibility in practice of exceeding certain limits has led experimenters to artificially increase the overvoltage 4 5 of this circuit by a positive feedback, by means of an amplifier. However, this artifice has the dual disadvan- tage of making it difficult to proportion the feedback and also of causing a frequency drift when a slig'@it mismnatch- ing exists between the nuclear resonance frequency and 50 the frequency of the resonant circuit. With a view to overcoming these drawbacks, this inven- tion has for an object to provide apparatus for determin- ing, by nuclear resonance, the characteristics of a mag- netic field at any given point, by injecting a signal of 55 adjustable frequency close to that of the natural signal of the oscillating circuit into a selective oscillating circuit disposed at said point and excited by nuclei subjected to the Overhauser effect, generating a current wmcn is a function of the phase shift between these two signals, ad- 60 justing said adjustable frequency by said current with a view to cancelling the dift'ERENCE between said two fre- quencies in order to increase the intensity of the emission from said oscillating circuit, and determining separately or not, the absolute magnitude and the variations of said 65 field at said points, respectively by measuring the fre- quency of said emission, which is then equal to the Larmor precession frequency of said nuclei and consequently pro- portional to said

absolute magnitude, and by studying the variations of said current, which are proportional to the variations of said field. Patented Dec. 7, 1965. In accordance with one specific embodiment of apparatus according to the invention, said adjustable frequency is feedback controlled by the nuclear resonance frequency of the nuclei. In accordance with another form of embodiment of the invention, a measurement is made of the voltage of the signals emitted by said oscillating circuit, said voltage following the amplitude fluctuations of the nuclear magnetic resonance line of said nuclei. It is a further object of this invention to provide an apparatus for measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field at a given point, whereby the operation disclosed hereinabove may be carried into practice, said apparatus being of the type comprising a probe which consists, in the manner well known per se, of a sample containing nuclei subjected to the Overhauser effect and disposed within the coil of a selective or LC oscillating circuit, characterized in that said probe is loosely coupled to an adjustable frequency oscillator which is connected, together with said oscillating circuit, to a phase discriminator, the apparatus further comprising means sensitive to the output current from said discriminator to so vary the frequency of said oscillator to tend to cancel the difference between said frequency and the Larmor precession frequency of said nuclei, said apparatus further comprising either a frequency meter connected to the probe output, or a voltmeter connected to the output of said probe, or a device for analysing said current, or several or all of these instruments at once. The adjustable frequency oscillator is preferably a self-oscillator feedback controlled by the direct current furnished by the phase discriminator. The description which follows with reference to the accompanying drawings, which are filed by way of example and not of limitation, will give a clear understanding of how the invention may be carried into practice and will disclose yet further particularities thereof. In the drawings: FIG. 1 represents a conventional selective oscillating circuit. FIG. 2 schematically shows the curve obtained when the output voltage from the selective oscillating circuit of FIG. 1 is plotted against the input frequency into said circuit. FIG. 3 is the wiring diagram of a probe for studying the magnetic field by nuclear resonance, said probe being associated to the selective circuit of FIG. 1. FIG. 4 schematically shows the curve of voltage plotted against frequency, in the case of the probe of FIG. 3. FIG. 5 is the wiring diagram of a device for measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field by nuclear resonance in accordance with this invention, said device being equipped with a voltmeter for studying amplitude variations in the nuclear resonance line. FIGS. 6 and 7 illustrate portions of the device shown in FIG. 5, which portions are respectively equipped with a frequency meter for measuring the nuclear resonance frequency and with an ammeter for studying variations in the current through the slaving circuit. Referring now to FIG. 1, if the selective or LC circuit schematically illustrated thereon by a self-induction coil L and a capacitor C be energized through a coupling impedance Z acting as a weakly coupling means, then a four-pole system, having input terminals 1 and 2 and output terminals 3 and 4, will be constituted. When the frequency  $f$  across the input terminals 1 and 2 varies, the four-pole system output voltage  $p$ , will vary in obedience to a law which is illustrated schematically in FIG. 2 and which characterizes the pass-band  $f_1 - f_2$  of the selective circuit in FIG. 1. If now, as shown in FIG. 3, there is introduced into the coil L of FIG. 1 a vessel 5 containing water which is

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3 doped or not with a paramagnetic substance, and if, furthermore, this water is subjected to a high frequency field which is tuned to the electronic resonance frequency of the said paramagnetic substance or of the nondoped water and which is obtained by a generator 6 energizing coils 7 set perpendicularly across both the self-induction coil L and the magnetic field H which is perpendicular to the plane of the figure, it will be found that the output voltage A' of the four-pole system can be represented by the curve in FIG. 4. For a given value  $F$  of the input frequency given by Equation (1), a very fine line of large amplitude appears, corresponding to an emission of energy into the surrounding magnetic field H by the nuclear spins of the water, known as the Overhauser-Abraham effect. The LC



circuit gives the phase coherency for the signals delivered by the proton probe illustrated in FIG. 3. If the phases of the input and output voltages of the four-pole system of FIG. 3 be compared when the supply input frequency  $f$  varies about the nuclear resonance frequency  $F$ , then, as a first approximation, the phase difference  $p$  will vary linearly with said input frequency  $f$ , so that if the origin be correctly chosen, one may write:  $p=A(f-F)$  (2) where  $A$  is a constant. It is of this specific property that advantage is taken in the present invention for executing a practical apparatus whereby the nuclear frequencies  $F$  may be measured and, on the basis thereof, the ambient magnetic fields ascertained from relation (1). This phase difference is converted by means of a phase discriminator into a direct current the value of which is proportional to said difference, and the direct current produced in this manner is used to so control the frequency of auxiliary signals delivered by an adjustable frequency self-oscillator that said frequency be made by natural drift to coincide with Larmor's frequency  $F$  and that automatic lock-on be ensured in the event of a deviation therefrom. To this end, and as is clearly represented in FIG. 5, the apparatus for measuring the characteristics of a magnetic field at a given point by nuclear resonance comprises a probe 8 consisting of the selective circuit of FIG. 3, the component parts of which circuit bear the same reference numerals as those used in FIG. 3 followed by the subscript  $a$ , while a self-oscillator 9 of adjustable frequency has its output connected to the input terminals 1a and 2a of said probe in order to submit the LC circuit to a constrained oscillation. Said adjustable frequency self-oscillator is equipped with a value  $V$  and with a resonant element comprising a self-induction coil 11 with a saturatable core 10 and a saturation winding 11, in conjunction with an adjustable tuning capacitor  $C_1$ . The apparatus further comprises a low-noise-level amplifier 12 connected to the outputs 3a and 4a of probe 8 and a phase discriminator 13 into which are injected the output voltage from said amplifier 12 through the terminals 14 and 15 and the output voltage from self-oscillator 9 through the terminals 16 and 17. The output terminals 18 and 19 of said phase discriminator are connected to the saturation winding 11 of self-oscillator 9. In such an oscillator, or other equivalent oscillator, the generated frequency  $f$  varies in terms of the direct current  $i$  delivered by the phase discriminator 13 and flowing through the element 11 or its equivalent; in fact, the self-oscillator 9 is feedback controlled by said D.C. The truth of the reasoning which follows is in no way invalidated by assuming that such variations are, as a first approximation, linear over a limited range and take the form:  $f=f_0+Bi$  (3) where  $f_0$  is the natural frequency of the oscillating circuit LIC, and  $B$  is a constant. The phase discriminator 13, as is well known, supplies across its output terminals 18 and 19 a direct current  $i$  which is a function of the phase difference existing between voltages injected through 14-15 and through 16-17 respectively. Again in the interest of clarity, it will be assumed that this relation is linear, at any rate over a certain range. One may, therefore, write:  $i=Cp$  (4) where  $C$  is a constant. The combination of relations (2), (3) and (4) gives:  $f-f_0=BCA(f-F)$  or  $f-f_0=f-F=ABC$  (5) where  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  are constants stemming from the size of the apparatus and  $B$  and  $C$  in particular can be made very large. Since the value  $(f-f_0)$  is necessarily finite, it may be seen that the value  $(f-F)$  can be made as small as desired until the following equality is obtained:  $f=F$  (6) This equality is achieved automatically by the apparatus according to this invention, regardless of whether  $F$  varies subsequently for any reason. In this way there are provided, at the output of amplifier 12, signals the frequency of which is the same as that of the resonance line, and this frequency will follow, without any need for adjustment, such variations in said nuclear resonance frequency as are caused by the variations, rapid though they may be, of the magnetic field  $H$  to be measured. It is easy, therefore, to appreciate both the aim and the usefulness of the present invention, which consists in providing an adjustable frequency apparatus that is caused to lock onto the nuclear magnetic resonance frequency. It will easily be seen that the various relations given hereinabove will be valid only over a fairly limited frequency range and that the automatic lock-on will operate correctly only if the system has first been approximated to a sufficient degree. For this reason, provision is made for the self-oscillator 9 to be tunable by means of the

adjustable capacitor C1. Such tuning can be carried out manually, in approximate fashion, to within 4 cycles, say. To this end, the voltmeter V connected across terminals 14 and 15 is kept under observation. As soon as the approximate frequency  $f$ , enters the regulation range of discriminator 13, the frequency jumps automatically to the frequency  $F$  and the reading given by voltmeter V 50 immediately shows a substantial increase. Thenceforward, if the nuclear magnetic resonance frequency  $F$  varies as a function of some variation in the magnetic field, the apparatus hereinbefore described ensures that the output frequency from amplifier 12 remains equal to this varying frequency. The apparatus as illustrated in FIG. 5 can be operated in either of the three following different ways: (a) As shown in FIG. 6, a frequency meter 20 is connected across the terminals of amplifier 12 and said frequency meter indicates the output frequency of said amplifier, i.e. the nuclear magnetic resonance or Larmor precession frequency of the nuclei utilized, on the basis of which frequency the absolute magnitude of the magnetic field  $H$  can be determined with the desired degree of accuracy by applying the relation (1). (b) From readings on the voltmeter V of FIG. 5 or from recordings on a recording device utilized in lieu thereof, a study is made of the voltage fluctuations across the output terminals of amplifier 12, with a view to following the amplitude variations in the nuclear resonance line. (c) From direct readings, or from recordings by means of an instrument 21 such as an ammeter inserted into the slaving circuit (see FIG. 7), a study is made of the current  $i$  which flows across terminals 18 and 19 of phase dis-

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discriminator 13 and which represents a characteristic feature of the variance in the magnetic field  $H$ , the fluctuations in said current flow providing an indication which remains proportional to the fluctuations in said magnetic field into which the probe is placed, which indication is utilized for detecting said fluctuations. This latter method of operation can be further improved by introducing into the feedback-controlling circuit which connects the phase discriminator 13 and the saturation winding 11 a circuit 22 having an appreciable time-constant. With such an arrangement, slow changes in the magnetic field  $H$  will produce variations in the current  $i$  that are likewise slow. Conversely, any rapid variation in said field will generate a very strong signal which the continuous recording process accomplished by the device 21 will detect immediately. It is to be noted that the method and apparatus according to this invention allow for the use of a low frequency source that does not call for any special stability conditions for the obtainment of a nuclear resonance line capable of following the variations, rapid notwithstanding, of the magnetic field to be measured, without the need for manual adjustment. The measurement of said magnetic field can consequently be accomplished with very great accuracy by measuring the frequency of the output signal from the low-noise-level amplifier, without causing any frequency drift. What we claim is: 1. In an apparatus for measuring the strength of a magnetic field at a given point, of the type comprising a conventional proton probe consisting of a proton sample subjected to an Overhauser effect and surrounded by the coil of an L.C. circuit, said coil being weakly coupled to a self-oscillator which is connected to a phase discriminator to which is also connected said self-oscillator by a low-noise level amplifier whereby the phase discriminator generates a direct current which is a function of the phase difference between the signals delivered by said amplifier and by said oscillator, means connected to said self-oscillator and to said phase discriminator for feedback controlling said self-oscillator by said direct current to cancel said phase difference, and means for measuring the frequency of the signals delivered by said amplifier in order to determine the strength of the magnetic field, the improvement according to which the self-oscillator has a resonant element comprising a saturable core, a self-induction coil wound on said core, an adjustable tuning capacitor connected in parallel across said self-induction coil and a saturation winding wound on said core, the means for feedback controlling the self-oscillator comprising a feedback controlling circuit

interconnecting the output of the phase discriminator and said saturation winding, whereby said winding and said circuit act as a feedback control for said self-oscillator. 2. An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a voltmeter mounted in parallel between the lownoise level amplifier and the phase discriminator in order to detect the amplitude variations in the nuclear resonance. 3,222,593 3. An apparatus according to claim 11, further comprising a current value sensitive means mounted in series in the feedback controlling circuit for indicating the variations of the direct current in order to detect the fluctuations of the magnetic field. 4. An apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising a circuit having an appreciable time-constant interconnecting the current value sensitive means and the saturation winding, whereby the correction of the self-oscillator frequency is delayed for obtaining a better detection of the magnetic field fluctuations. 5. In an apparatus for measuring the strength of a magnetic field at a given point, of the type comprising a conventional proton probe consisting of a proton sample subjected to an Overhauser effect and surrounded by the coil of an LC circuit; the improvement comprising, in combination, a self-oscillator having a resonant element comprising a saturable core, a self-induction coil wound on said core, an adjustable tuning capacitor connected in parallel across said self-induction coil and a saturation winding wound on said core; a coupling impedance interconnecting the output of said self-oscillator and the input of the coil of the LC circuit, a low-noise level amplifier connected to the output of the proton probe, a phase discriminator having two inputs respectively connected to the outputs of said self-oscillator and of said amplifier for generating a direct current which is a function of the phase difference between the signals delivered by said amplifier and by said oscillator, a feedback controlling circuit interconnecting the output of the phase discriminator and said saturation winding, whereby said winding and said circuit act as a feedback control for said self-oscillator; a frequency meter and a voltmeter respectively mounted in parallel between the low-noise level amplifier and the phase discriminator, an ammeter mounted in series in said feedback controlling circuit, and a circuit having an appreciable time-constant mounted in parallel across said feedback controlling circuit between said ammeter and said saturation winding. 40 References Cited by the Examiner  
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